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Remarks

Claims 1-13 are pending in this application. All claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Levitt (U.S. publication US2002/0151327). Restating arguments in the remarks, which were deemed persuasive during the examiner interview conducted on October 26, 2005, applicants respectfully traverse the rejection under § 102. No new matter has been entered.

Levitt does not teach, expressly or inherently, all the elements of the claims. Specifically, Levitt fails to teach a portable handheld device that plays multimedia data files on the portable computing device as recited in claim 1, or a portable handheld device operable to play multimedia content on the portable computing device, as recited in claim 2. Levitt also fails to teach a portable handheld device configured to play digital video or picture images on the display means of the portable field guide as recited in claim 10. The examiner cites Levitt for teaching that the interface of the handheld unit may control content choices in different playback and communication devices, including audio muting, pausing, selection of content from directories, surfing among elements in a list. (page 3, ¶ 20). In essence, Levitt teaches a remote control, which plays multimedia files on external devices. Levitt fails to teach a portable computing device, which plays multimedia files on the portable computing device.

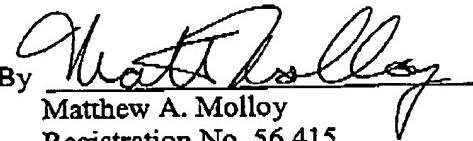
By the same rationale, Levitt also fails to teach a portable electronic field guide for bird watching configured to play the digital image and audio data file of a bird on the portable electronic field guide as recited in claim 13. The Khoshnevis hand-held digital binocular system fails to teach a portable computing device, and thus does not cure the deficiencies of claim 13.

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The Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned to resolve efficiently any formal matters or to discuss any aspects of the application or of this response. Otherwise, early notification of allowable subject matter is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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